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1. On 23 December, a train consisting of six flat-cars and carrying 18 76.2-millimeter anti-tank guns was dispatched from Dallgow-Doeberitz to Dannenwalde. The guns had been hauled to the station by motor vehicles belonging to the 2nd Light Artillery Brigade. On 6 January, another train, consisting of one converted box-car, five regular box-cars and nine flat-cars and carrying 26 76.2-millimeter anti-tank guns, was dispatched over the same route. In this instance, the guns had been moved to the station by vehicles assigned to the 1st Mechanized Division.<sup>1</sup> 25X1
2. A freight train observed on 9 January at the Eberswalde railroad station included twelve flat-cars, carrying 23 85-millimeter anti-tank guns guarded by three soldiers with red-bordered black shoulderboards. The locomotive was headed toward Bernau.<sup>1</sup> 25X1
3. 85-millimeter anti-tank guns were observed in installations occupied by the following units: 11th Guards Tank Division (six guns on 17 November); 20th Anti-Tank Artillery Brigade (twelve guns on 28 December); the 19th Guards Mechanized Division (four guns on 5 January); and the 39th Guards Rifle Division (four guns on 6 January).<sup>1</sup>
4. The following troop shipments were observed on the dates indicated below: On 13 January, 23 box-cars and flat-cars, going from Koenigsbrueck to Eilenburg; on 14 January, 31 box-cars and flat-cars, going from Koenigsbrueck to Leisnig; on 15 January, 10 box-cars with troops wearing red-bordered black shoulderboards, seven box-cars with ammunition, and other cars carrying seven 100-millimeter anti-tank guns, seven prime movers, two 76.2-millimeter field guns, three field kitchens and 32 trucks belonging to the 2nd Light Artillery Brigade, loaded at Dallgow-Doeberitz for shipment to Wustermark.<sup>2</sup> 25X1

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5. The following additional troop shipments were observed on 14 January: eleven converted box-cars, three regular box-cars and 46 flat-cars, going from Justerbog to Wildpark; eighteen box-cars and an undetermined number of flat-cars, loaded with eighteen anti-tank guns, two field kitchens and 27 trucks, going from Dallgow-Doeberitz to Forst Zinna.<sup>2</sup> 25X1
6. Three trains, [redacted] left Falkenberg for Neubrandenburg on 5, 7 and 9 January. 25X1
7. An airfield is to be constructed in the Magdeburg area in 1954. Another airfield is to be built in the Weimar area, also during the current year.<sup>4</sup> 25X1
1. [redacted] Comment: This appears to confirm the assumption that Soviet anti-tank units are being re-equipped with 85-millimeter guns. [redacted] 25X1  
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2. [redacted] Comment: The shipments between military posts and troop training grounds indicate that Soviet troops are starting their winter firing exercises in January. This corresponds to the pattern observed last year. 25X1
3. [redacted] Comment: Evacuation of the fighter regiment stationed at Neubrandenburg, probably to Puetnitz, has been reported [redacted] It appears possible that the transport regiment based at Alt-Loennowitz will now be transferred to Neubrandenburg. This move has not been confirmed, however. 25X1
4. [redacted] Comment: Although the alleged construction project in the Magdeburg area has been reported [redacted] further confirmation will be required for acceptance. 25X1
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